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A SUCCESSFUL HOLDUP

Desperadoes Take Possession of a Santa Fe Train.

THEY BLEW OPEN THE SAFE

The Affair Occurred at a Water Tank Siding in New Mexico-The Engine and Express Cars Were Cut Off and Looted.

Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 6 .- The holdest and apparently most successful hold-up in the history of the Santa Fe Pacific railroad occurred to-night at about 9 o'clock near Grant's station The regular passenger train reached Grant's about 30 minutes late and consisted of a mail car, a deadhead baggage car, the regular baggage car, an express car, a day coach, a chair car

and two sleepers. On going to the water tank at a siding, two miles east of Grant's, known as Saints, the train was taken possession of by desperadoes, the party being supposed to consist of four men, as no more than that number were seen. After securing possession, one of the men took possession of the engine and another member of the party cut the train in two just ahead of the day coach, and the engine and the attached cars were taken half a mile further east. At the point where the express car was cut off, the messenger was or dered out of the car and none but the robbers went on ahead. As soon as the train was cut Conductor Aldrich walked to Grant's station and sent a message to Sheriff Hubbell of this

county, saying:
"Train No. 2 held up at Grant's.
Robbers have taken possession of the
train and run out east about a mile and a half. They were blowing up the safe in the express car just after I started to walk back to the station. They had no horses, but it is likely they had horses near where they stopped the

About the same time a message was received from Division Superintendent Hubbard of the Santa Fe Pacific at

Gallup, saying: "Our No. 2 held up at Grant's. Can't say result of the robbery, but express has been blown up and operator at Grant's thinks it is being burned, as he sees fire in the direction of the train. he sees fire in the direction of the train, Flease send posse to pursue robbers."

In response to these messages train No. 1, from the East, was taken by Sheriff Hubbell and Deputy Sheriff Fred Fornoff, who are now on their way to the scene. A later message says that after the robbers had blown up the safe in the express car and looted it, the engine and cars were abandoned and ran back into the cars left

doned and ran back into the cars left standing on the track. It is presumed that they reversed the engine and sent it back to make a complete wreck and block the track. If such were their intentions they were entirely successful for the express car, the day coach and chair car were telescoped, afterwards taking fire and being totally destroyed, The baggage in the baggage car was all taken out before the fire reached it. There has as yet been no word re-ceived that would indicate any loss of

life or bodily injury, but the question will be in doubt until some one arrives before the track at the point where the fire occurred will be made pass-able, but it is thought that the engine, mail car and two bagage cars which were ahead of the express car and were not reported as injured, will come on to Albuquerque without waiting for the wreck to be cleared up. No description of the robbers or clue to their identity

has yet been received here.

The Santa Fe Pacific has recently been sending out hundreds of laborers among them being many very tough characters. A large number of them were located near Grant's, and one the-ory advanced is that some of these men did the work. It is not known how much the robbers secured, except they took whatever the Wells, Fargo's safe contained. No mention is made of any molestation of the passengers. It is known that none of the employee

of the express company were injured. Later reports reach here of a rumor that when Engineer Harry McCarl was ordered from his engine, Fireman Henry Abel was taken on ahead by the sion when they blew up the safe. No train will reach here before 3 o'clock

OHIO REPUBLICAN.

They Will Have a Majority of Five on a

Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 6.-The important development in the status of the new general assembly to-day was the decision in the Wood county case which once more removes that county from the doubtful list to the republican column. The court instructed the election supervisors of Wood county to canvass the returns from the dis-puted precinct, which gives the election to Capt. O. P. Norris, the republican candidate for representative, by 31 plurality. This news was received by Chairman Nash of the republican state committee with evident satisfaction, though it was not different from what he had expected. The decision had a pressed, inasmuch as it put an end to the talk of other contests on the same ground. Chairman Nash does not bedemocrats, since the law in the case is junction against the supervisors, but it was not confirmed. Should no further changes be made, the republicans will have five majority on joint bailot, as glaimed by Chairman Nash.

The headquarters of the democratic state committee at the great Southern was being dismantled to-day, only one room being retained for the use of Secretaries Karb and Myers. In an inter-

"The situation is the same now as it Wednesday morning. The demo crats have the senate by a majority of two. The house stands 58 republicans to 51 democrats. McConville will go on claiming until he goes back to Washington, but he won't do any good. We are beaten, and I knew it Wednesday

Mr. Myers was very bitter in his denunciation of Chairman McConville and blamed him for the defeat of the demoboth on the legislative and state tickets. Mr. Myers charged that Mr. McConville tried to defeat Chapman because Chapman would not pledge him- that two of them will die.

self to certain appointments, and that he did not work for the success of the legislative ticket.

It Elects a Republican. Toledo, Ohio, Nev. 6.—Judge Barker of the Ninth circuit court decided to-day that the Wood county board of supervis-ors must certify the returns of Center township. This elects Norris, the repub-

lican candidate for representative.

Judge Parker holds that the functions of the board of elections are simply ministerial; that they must certify to the vote as they find it without going behind the returns; that the question as to whether the provisions of the law were not complied with in having the polling booth outside the boundaries of Center township, and whether, if so, it invalidates the ballots there cast, must be decided by the courts or by the legislature

GOLDEN SCEPTER SOLD.

tic Gold Mining Company.

Special Dispatch to the Standard. Philipsburg, Nov. 6.—All the property of the Golden Scepter Mining company of Wilmington, Del., including mining claims, mills, water rights, townsites and town lots, their 100-stamp mill, electric rallway, all machinery belonging to the company at Quigley, in this county, was sold at the court house at 3 o'clock to-day by Judge Henry M. Blake of Helena, day by Judge Henry M. Blake of Helena, master of chancery. The property was sold in a lump and purchased by J. M. Keith of Missoula, as trustee, for the reorganization committee for 449,529,31 Attorney Webster of Missoula and J. R. McDonaid, one of the incorporators of the Majestic Gold Mining company, were present at the sale. It is thought that the Majestic company will be the successor of the Golden Scepter company, and will finally come into possession of the property sold to-day. property sold to-day.

SENSATION IN PHILADELPHIA. Court Clerks Charged With Issuing Fraud-

Philadelphia, Nov. 6.—A sensation was occasioned in political and official circles to-day by the placing in custody of sev-eral of the city and United States government employes of prominence, charged with conspiracy and the issuance of

fraudulent naturalization papers.

The men arrested are Eugene Landsey, clerk in the city protho notary's office: John Merrick, assistant clerk of the United States circuit court, and Richard Merrick, father of the latter, also a clerk in the same court. It is stated other ar-rests will be made during the day. It is also said that naturalization papers were furnished signers for \$17 apiece and quite a number have been issued. Lind-sey and two more clerks were given a preliminary hearing this morning and each gave bail in the sum of \$2,500 for further hearing Tuesday next.

A HORRIBLE CONFESSION.

A Brother the Marderer of His Three

Sisters at Rawdon.

Joliette. Quebec, Nov. 6.—Thomas Nulty, an elder brother of the three Nulty girls and one boy, who were murdered near Rawdon on Thursday, was arrested this afternoon charged with having committed the crime. Late to-night he made a confession, in which he acknowledged the awful deed. No details of the confession are known at present Dr. Smiley. the murdered girls, states that there is no evidence to show that the girls had been criminally assaulted before death.

HE WAS SHOT INTHE BACK

MURDER OF WINFORD BROWN TONGUE RIVER.

Richard Dickinson, a Negro, Arrested for the Crime-No Explanation Is Given by the Arrested Man.

Special Dispatch to the Standard.

Miles City, Nov. 6.-Word was received here that Winford Brown was shot and killed at his ranch on Tongue river. He was on a wagon loaded with lumber and his brother Clarence was walking along beside it and had just opened the gate going into their place, when a man rode up with a cloth tied over his face, concealing most of his features. He shouted at them, and when they looked up the man was riding toward them with a rifle at his shoulder. He fired, the ball strik-ing Winford Brown in the back and passing through the body. The man turn-ed and escaped over a hill. Clarence Brown fired at him with a revolver, but was wild in his shooting.

The shooting occurred at 4 o'clock on

Thursday afternoon and Brown died at 5 o'clock Friday morning. Before he died Brown said he recognized the man. Clar-Brown said he recognized the man. Clar-ence says he also recognized the man as one who worked for a neighbor. Coroner Bateman and Deputy Jackson left this morning to hold an inquest. Stock In-spector Smith left this evening with a warrant for the arrest of the murdered. Deputy Sheriff John Stafford, assisted by William Winters, arrived in town to-night, having in custody a negroto-night, having in custody a negro, Richard Dickinson, charged with the murder of Winford Brown. Stafford arrived at Brown's ranch within three hours after the shooting. The brothers recognized Dickinson, and Stafford immediately went to the hill and found horse tracks to Geddes' ranch, six miles from the scene of the shooting. The ground was soft and the tracks were trailed easily. In front of the house it was plainly seen where he alighted from his

WILL CARRY PASSENGERS. American Line Steamers Will Be Put on

a strong case,

horse and unloaded his new model Win-

chester. Two shells were secured, which

will be used in evidence. The negro made no resistance. The officers say they have

the Klondyke Route. Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 6.—The announcement that a company has been organized with Charles H. Cramp as president to carry passengers from the Pa-effic to Alaskan gold fields, received an interesting supplement in the statement that four of the boats to be used are the steamships Pennsylvania. Ohio, Indiana and Illinois of the American line, which have been sold to the new company. With these goes the Red Star liner Val-encia, which has been sold to the syndicate for \$99,000 cash. The four American ships referred to were built by the Cramps in 1872 and 1872. They are 257 feet long, 43 feet beam with a hold a depth of 24 feet. They have recently been plying between this city and Liverpool.

Crushed Between Cars. Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 6.—Three employes of Jones & Laughlin's steel works were caught between a car and shifting en-gine this morning and crushed so badly

The Road Shows an Increase in Earnings Over 1896.

THEY ENDORSE THE SALE and to-day's opinion from the commissioner approves such decision.

Control of the Road by the Governmen Would Be Most Injurious and Would Result in Inequalities and Corruption.

Washington, Nov. 6 .- The report of the government directors of the Union Pacific railroad for the fiscal year just ended has been submitted to Secretary Bliss. A summary follows:

The physical condition of the road continues to show marked improvement, both in the character of the roadbeds and in the condition of the 7,500 tons of the new steel rail were added to the track and during the current year 17,600 additional tons have been purchased and are now being placed upon the roadbed. The Eastern portion of the Union Pacific division is being thoroughly ballasted and the property from Omaha to the neighborhood of Grand Island, 174 miles, will compare favorably with many of the

hood of Grand Island, 174 miles, will compare favorably with many of the first-class Eastern roads.

The earnings and expenses for the Union Pacific railway proper (I.822.29 miles) for the 12 months ended June 30, 1897 and 1896, respectively, follow: Gross earnings, \$14,944,437 for 1897, an increase of \$861,129; operating expenses, \$9,443,156 for 1897, an increase of \$677,-213; surplus, \$5,501,321 for 1897, an increase of \$183,915; taxes, \$573,640 for 1897, a decrease of \$80,889; surplus earn-

crease of \$183,915; taxes, \$573,640 for 1897, a decrease of \$8,089; surplus earnings, \$4,927,681 for 1897; \$4,735,655 for 1896, an increase of \$192,005.

The report goes into detail as to the proceedings that led up to the recent sale under foreclosure, and under date of Sept. 4, says from the then expected realization from the foreclosure sale of the road property and sinking fund of 445,754,059, it will follow that the loss of the United States will be about \$25,-900,000.

government directors repeat their approval of the course of the partment of justice in accepting proposition of the reorganization committee and in the foreclosure proceedings. As the government directors have always been convinced that the ownership of these railroads by the government would be most injurious to the people, it would result in gross in-equalities and discrimination in favor of the territory served by them and would be a prolific source of political corruption, they find themselves un-able to consider the subject from a point of view of government owner-ship, the report being addressed to the single question of realizing the best financial returns to the government for the investment. It is doubtles true, the report says, that the reorganization committee and the depositors of bonds committee and the depositors of bonds and securities under this plan will realize a large profit and larger than was expected by the original proposition.

The report concludes: "We deem it our duty to call attention to the fact that foreclosure suits have been instituted for the securities under the contract of the securities under the securities and the securities and the securities are securities and the securities and the securities are securities and the securities and the securities are securities are securities are securities and the securities are securities are securities and the securities are securities are securities and the securities are securities are securities are securities are securities are securities and the securities are securities are securities are securities.

tuted for the sale of the securities unmade by the Union Pacific railroad company. In view of the remarkable advance in the market value of many mortgages, it is quite possible that the foreclosure will leave a surplus applicable to the part payment of the general debts of the Union Pacific rail-

road company.
"It is therefore to the interests of the United States to secure the Union Pa-cific company all such assets or surpluses as may result from the fore-closure of the collateral trusts and all property of every form which is overed by the mortgages made by the ompany, to the end that the aggregate of general assets resulting to the com-pany may form the largest possible fund for part payment of its general

FIRST NATIONAL BANK CASE. It Is Expected That the Grand Jury Will Investigate.

ecial Dispatch to the Standard. Helena, Nov. 6.—Interest is increasing in the forthcoming session of the grand jury which will be impannelled next Tuesday, and many rumors are affoat concerning what the jury is expected to do about the First National bank case. That the jury will tackle the matter is generally conceded. Among other cases that will be considered by the grand jury are: United States vs. Andrew Vane Fort Assinnibolne colored soldier, who is charged with committing a criminal as-sault upon a young girl; United States vs. A. J. Rouse and Frank Chamberlain, charged with seiling liquor to Indians upon the Belknap reservation; United States vs. "Bull-That-Shows-All" and "Old Horn." Crow Indians accused of grand larceny, and against Eugene Hum-

bert, accused of returning to the Flat-head reservation after being ordered off. The case of Clark L. Proctor, the col-ored soldier of Fort Assinniboine, who killed another soldier and was acquitted by a United States commissioner will also probably be considered. According to the returns made by the

marshal. Butte will not be represented on the grand jury, although two citizens of that town were drawn, Louis Liene mann and A. W. Barnard. The former b on the regular panel of the district court of Silver Bow, while Mr. Barnard sends a certificate of illness. A. W. King, who was drawn from Glasgow, cannot be found. The Helena members of the grand M. H. Wall, Henry Albertson. Louis C. Arnold and G. S. Kennedy. Greenough of Missoula, also drawn, can-not be found. These are the only names that can be published as the marshal has not made returns upon the others.

STEAMER FOUNDERED.

Nineteen Men Were Drowned-Only Two

Were Saved. Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 6.-The Western Transit company's steamer Idaho, which left Buffalo yesterday afternoon for Chieago, laden with package freight, foun-dered off Long Point, on Lake Erie, dur-ing a furious gale at 4 o'clock this morning. The first mate and one sailor, who succeeded in reaching the rigging, were rescued by the steamer Mariposa late this afternoon and brought here. The rest of the crew, numbering 19, were undoubtedly

drowned. Important Land Decision.

Special Dispatch to the Standard

Helena Nov. 6.—The Helena land office to-day received from the commissionback to Colorado has not been verified.

ers of the general land office a decision which will be read with some interest, since it involves the right of a claimant under certain conditions to file upon land that is fenced by another claimant. The land involved is in Choteau county, near Big Sandy, Margaret Murray, a widow, had fenced a piece of land while perfect-ing title. W. I. Wall broke through the ing title. W. I. Wall broke through the fence and filed upon the land. The local land office held Wall's right the better one

NEWS FROM HAWAIL

Princess Kainlant Not in With Her

Mother's Cause. Honolulu, Oct. 30, via San Francisco Nov. 6.—The Hawaiian Star amounces that a contract has been signed in New York for 80,000 tons of the Hawaiian sugar crop of 1898. Another large block of sugar will be taken by the new refiner the combination of sugar plantations out side of those controlled by Spreckels.
It is understood that Princess Kaiulan

will remain but a few days longer in Honolulu, when she will leave again for a tour of Europe. She has requested in advance that no entertainment or demon-stration be arranged for her honor, and equipments. During the year 1896 will decline absolutely to take any part of the new steel rail were or even discuss politics. The princess denies any intention of visiting or confer ring with the ex-queen, and from the guarded intimation would seem to desire to give out the impression that she is no in sympathy with the ex-queen's cause,

STOCK GROWERS' CONVENTION

It Will Be Held in Denver Three Day Next January.

Denver, Nov. 6.—The National Stock Growers' convention, which prominent citizens have had under consideration for citizens have had under consideration for some time, will be held in this city on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 25, 26 and 27, 1898. A joint meeting of the committees appointed by the chamber of commerce and the Colorado Cattle Growers' association to consider the prelimi-nary arrangements for the meeting was held in the chamber of commerce this af-ternoon and it' was decided to hold the convention on these dates. Various com-mittees were appointed and the call and invitations to all stock growers' associations throughout the country to send delegates, as well as all breeders of fine stock, commission men, state and govern-ment officials will be issued on Monday,

BACKED OVER A PRECIPICE.

Two Women Fatally Injured in an Acc

dent on Lookout Mountain. Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 6.-Whill Mrs. A. P. Lockhart and Miss Wilson were driving on Lookout Mountain the horse became frightened and started down the mountain. About haif way down the mountain. About half way down the buggy lodged on a stump. The horse, suddenly brought to a standstii, backed the buggy over a precipice from 20 to 40 feet high. The animal followed the buggy and was killed. The women are fatally injured. At that spot during the last ten years six lives have been lost in

Named by the President. Washington, Nov. 5.—The president has made the following appointments: Arthur W. Whitney, to be receiver of public moneys at Los Angeles. To be second assistant engineers in the revenue cutter service, Robert F. Halisine and Edwin V. Davis, George A. Bright, to be med cal director in the navy, with relative rank of captain. James A. Miller, to be commander in the navy.

HE FELL DEAD AT A DANCE

HENRY METCALF OF MARYSVILLE STRICKEN WHILE WALTZING.

Ruptured Blood Vessel Was the Caus of the Sudden Death - He Expired Almost Instantly.

Special Dispatch to the Standard.

Helena, Nov. 6.—Henry Metcaif, a young and respected citizen of Marys-ville, died very suddenly last night while at a dance in McKendrick's hall. While waltzing with a young lady he fell upon the floor and died before many wer aware that death had entered the hall.

Last night the Woodmen of Marysville
met to listen to an address by F. A.
Falkenberg of Denver, head consul of the Pacific jurisdiction, who is visiting all of the camps of the order in Mon-tana. After the address a dance was given in McKendrick's hall. Shortly after midnight, as Metcalf was waltzing with Miss Mary Rube of Marysville, he plained of not feeling well.

"My feet are getting heavy; it's hard for me to keep up to the music," he murmured to his partner.

She suggested that they sit down. They started toward the benches by the wall,

when the young man sank upon the floo with a groan. He expired almost in Dr. Jordan, who was called in stantly. rupture of a blood vessel. Dancing was topped and the remains borne to the young man's room.

Coroner Brooke was notified to-day and he instructed a local justice of the peace to hold an inquest if necessary. The man was about 31 and employed in son's store. He formerly lived in Helena and was once a member of the fire de-partment here. His mother lives at Unionville. The funeral will be held here to-morrow afternoon. A special train will bring the funeral party to Helena.

Port Townsend, Wash., Nov. 6.—Cap-tain Killman and Mate Hall of the

schooner Lyman D. Foster, which arrived yesterday from Honolulu, were arrested this morning by a deputy United States marshal on a warrant sworn out by Able Seaman McDonald, who claims to have been brutally treated by the captain the mate on the voyage. United States Commissioner Swan held them to appear e the United States court in the sum

Successful Institutes. Special Dispatch to the Standard.

Helena, Nov. 6 .- State Superintendent Normal school returned this morning from Bozeman and Billings where the have been attending teachers' institutes They report that the institutes of both Callatin and Yellowstone counties were the most successful held this year. They will go to Virginia City next wek to attend the Madison county institute.

Indorse the Game Warden

Denver, Nov. 6.-Governor Adams to-day received a paper signed by nearly every citizen in Routt county indorsing driving the Indians out of the county where they were violating the game laws. The report from Utah that the Indians

ON THE BRINK OF WAR

France and England May Appeal to Arms in Africa.

IS A CRITICAL SITUATION

Anglo-Egyptian Campaign Abandoned A Howl of Disgust-Hannis Taylor Criticised - Employers Will Win - In the East End.

Copyright 1897 by Associated Press London, Nov. 6 .- "On the Brink," is the caption under which the Daily News to-day discusses the Anglo-French relations, and it wonders how many times, in recent years, Great Britain has been on the brink of war with France. The same feeling is known to exist among the well informed of both countries. The news from Lagosek, west coast of Africa, was to the effect that on Thursday last the French had evacuated Saki, one of the posts in Lagos hinterland, which en occupied by their troops in contravention of the agreement of 1889, leaving that place as soon as the Brit-ish force sent there by Governor Mc-Callum appeared, shows how serious the situation in West Africa has become and demonstrates that a collision between French and British troops in this instance was only averted by the retirement of the former, and it further shows that, such a contision may occur

Aithough expected, the definite announcement that the Anglo-Egyptian campaign up the Nile has been abandoned for the present, has been the signal for a howl of disgust, similar in tone to the outburst of the Morning Post yesterday, which paper in a spe-cially displayed editorial article on the subject, denounces the government for 'hesitancy and invertebrateness on all great occasions," adding that the "unfortunate losses in money and blood are due to procrastination, and now, when the hour is here to vindi-cate Gordon and to smash the Mahdi, nothing is to be done, but a baneful hesitation sets in, a moral influenza, which paralyzes our statesmen. Similar denunciations have been heard from the most ardent supporters

of the ministry. The latter's decision not to continue the Soddan campaign not to continue the Soudan campaign is attributed both to lack of money and to the impossibility of finding British troops for this service until the Indian troubles are over. Any suggestion that the Egyptian troops have already broken the khalifa's back and are capable of teaching Kharguma along the continuous control of the continuous control of the continuous control of the continuous control of the contr broken the khalifa's back and are capable of reaching Kharroum alone, is frowned down, until it is beginning to be whispered that the Britishers are agreed to let the Egyptians know how much they are capable of accomplishing alone. In any case, whatever the reason for stopping the campaign may be, it seems to be folly to wait until next year to accomplish what could now, seemingly, be so readily realized while the dervishes and other tribes already rescued from the tyranny of the khalifa are ready to help. Indeed the fact that further complications are threatening it would seem to emphasize the advisability of hastening the recapture of the Soudan. There is no doubt that British supremacy in Central Africa is seriously harrassed by the French, whose unmistakable intention is to draw a horizontal line across the Soudan and cut off communication between Egypt and the British possessions of Central and Control of the Control of the Control of the communication between Egypt and the British possessions of the Centrol of the Control of the Centrol of the Centr tween Egypt and the British posses-sions in Central and South Africa, and the knowledge that Great Britain is resting on her oars will cause them to redouble their energies. The Marquis of Salisbury is urged on all sides to take spirited action, and it is insisted if funds are lacking, Great Britain

amount requisite to reach Khartoum. While the ministry is apparently vacwhile the ministry is apparently variating in this direction, it is showing no lack of energy in the Lagos affair. The foreign and colonial officers are mostly busy at work and are closely following every detail of the movement of the mov ments. A special map is to be made for the secretary of the colonies, Chamberlain, every night, with the latest news and moves are marked on

it with little flags.

The news from Saki show that the British governors in West Africa are determined to stop any further French aggression. Immediately after the oc-cupation of Saki became known at the British foreign office, the Marquis Salisbury sent a strong dispatch to the French foreign office saying that if a conflict occurred the responsibility would rest with France, and he also cabled Governor McCallum to instruct the officers of the British expedition sent to that place not to allow anything to prevent the reoccupation of any British territory trespassed on by the French or other European forces. To this is probably attributed the hasty estimates of the French troops on the retirement of the French troops on the approach of the British forces.

The statement made yesterday by the parliamentary secretary of the colonial office, the Earl of Selborne, that the carrying out of the government's policy will have the effect of opening the British Niger company's territories to all trade, shows that the government intends to take over these territories.

The announcement that the brother

of the khedive of Egypt, Prince Mahommed Ali, is engaged to be married to an American lady whom he met in Europe and that in consequence he has offered to renounce the succession to the khediveate in order to obtain the consent of the khedive, is authorita-

The Spectator to-day repeats its ar-Cuba and comes to the conclusion that when President McKinley gives his de-cision it will be for war. Several of the English newspapers to-day severely criticise the action of Hannis Taylor, former minister if the United States to Spain, in publishing his views of the Cuban question in an American maga-zine. The Pall Mall Gazette says that "he is getting even with President Mc Kinley, because the latter did not keep him at Madrid." Continuing, the Pall remarks: finds no difficulty in forgetting that all the information he has seen fit to di-vulge was obtained in his official capacity and this was under the seal of

While an early conclusion of the engineering disputes is doubtful, the air has been partially cleared by the disclaimer of the intention of the employers to break up the unions. There are also signs that the amendment proposed by the board of trade may lead as while the leaders are outwardly firm, the men are showing a more con-ciliatory spirit since the places of the member of the commission

unionists. There is scarcely room to doubt that the employers will finally win, for the resources of the employes are rapidly becoming exhausted, as is shown by the manifesto issued by their executive committee, admitting that in order to win the strikers must be aided by the public to the amount of £50,000 weekly

In addition to the engineering strike, with threatened strikers in the cotton trade and among the railroad em-ployes, the muddle in the labor world is daily growing worse. The recent po-lice records of the east end of London read like the old days of Deadwood, Dakota. Revolver shootings have occurred almost daily, and on Wednesday there were no less than four conenit-

One was the case of a boy who had killed a girl; another was of a youth who seriously wounded a woman; a third of a man who shot his mistress, and the fourth was that of a boy who discharged a revolver in the pit of a music hall. Earlier in the week a boy of 15 was shot by a gang of youngsters because he refused to fight and on Monday a bullet crashed through a watchmaker's store, narrowly missing the proprietor. The Royal Free hospital recently had 10 patients suffering from builet wounds. In short, the pos-session of revolvers is now so common in the East End that residents of that district appeal daily to the magistrates and police for measures to put an end

British officials regard the The prompt agreement arrived at between the United States and Japan providing for a temporary suspension of pelagic for a temporary suspension of peli scaling, as a vindication of their fusal to enter into the conference, and as a demonstration of this contention as a demonstration of existed between that an understanding existed between the three countries. It is not likely that the three countries. It is not likely that Great Britain will consent to stop scaling. Her majesty's government expects a settlement of the question by the United States purchasing the

Canadian interests.

In spite of the statement made by Mr. Balfour, the first lord of the treasury, in his speech at Norwich, on Thursday evening, that the government had no desire of aggression on the northwest frontier of India, but the morthwest frontier of India, but the northwest frontier of India, but sought only to maintain the present frontier, there is little doubt that the trial made by the punitive expeditions now engaged with the tribesmen will be followed by the usual piece of grab. The military despots of India demand and public opinion in Great Britain manifestly favors a military occupation of the territory practically conquered by the British troops.

It develops that the estate of Mrs. Margaret Oliphant, the author, who died on June 25, is under \$25,000. It was left to her adopted daughter.

A COMPROMISE REACHED.

Finally Settled.

Special Dispatch to the Standard.

Billings, Nov. 6.—A meeting of the county commissioners was held to-day, when Charles Swartz, tax agent of the Northern Pacific company, submitted a proposition of compromise on the back taxes of the company on uspatented lend. The following agreement was reached: The company pays 50 per cent. of the original tax and 50 per cent. of the penalty for the years 1894, 1895 and 1895, and an additional sum of \$200 for expenses incurred in advertising and the taxes in

CASE OF MRS. MAYBRICK

PARDON ASKED ON GROUNDS OF INTERNATIONAL COURTESY.

The English Government Was Not Asked to Re-Open the Case-Not a Question of Guilt or Innocence.

Chicago, Nov. 6.-The campaign in the interest of Mrs. Maybrick is being pus in this city, Mrs. Helen Dessmore, lately arrived from London, and who is now stopping at the Auditorium, made the

following statement to-day: "When President McKinley a few morths ago sent a note to the English government through Ambassador Hay, requesting Mrs. Maybrick's release as a matter of international courtesy, I had great hope. The question of Mrs. May-brick's innocence or guilt was entirely ig-

procity. "John Bright once asked President Lincoin for a reprieve for a convict whose guilt was unquestioned; a man who had plotted a conspiracy against both life and property during the late civil war. Mr. Lincoln cheerfully granted the request. I have been informed that President Chemical a like facer but dent Cleveland granted a like favor, but the English government refused the re-quest and replied that they had no reason

to reopen the Maybrick case.
"President McKinley did not ask that the case be reopened; he simply requested her release on the ground of international courtesy. Notwithstanding all previous publications in this connection, the facts to-day are that Mrs. Maybrick's case is no nearer a solution, so far as a release is concerned by the British government than it has been at any time, and I hope that President McKinley will follow this matter up by explaining to have the case reopened; he simply asked the favor of an international reciprocal favor, and that he will insist upon a spefle answer to a specific request

MOUNT RANIER'S ALTITUDE.

Computed by Figures Left by the Late Professor McClure.

Seattle, Nov. 6.-The latest computation the altitude of Mount Rainier places Columbia Crest, the highest point, 14.38 eet above the level of the sea. These feet above the level of the sea. These figures have been deduced from observations made by Professor Edgar McClure, who lost his life while descending the mountain the night of July 27, 1887. The computation was made by Professor E. H. McAllister, occupying the chair of ap-plied mathematics in the University of Oregon, to whom was referred Professor McClure's memoranda of the asc-nt. As an evidence of the great care and accuracy with which McClure carried out his observations, the result agrees within nine feet with that obtained by the United States geological survey in 1805, using the most refined methods of tri-

Ex-tiovernor Toole Resigns

Special Dispatch to the Standard. Helena, Nov. &-Owing to the lack of time to attend to the duties devolving upon the chairman of the arid land commissioner, ex-Governor J. K. Toole has resigned and T. C. Marshall has been elected. Mr. Toole will continue an active